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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (PARA 1, LINE 12 CORRECTED)

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EINV, EGEN, ECOSOC, UN

SUBJECT: ILLICIT PAYMENTS

REFS: (A) STATE 59669; (B) STATE 17954

1. REQUEST EMBASSY ADVISE SENIOR GOI OFFICIALS OF NEW  
DEPARTURE IN U.S. POLICY ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS (REF. A).  
CARTER ADMINISTRATION DECISION TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION  
MAKING BRIBES OF FOREIGN OFFICIALS BY U.S. NATIONALS A  
CRIME UNDER U.S. LAW UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD  
BE WELL RECEIVED BY GOI AS IT SPONSORED UNGA RESOLUTION  
35L4 CALLING UPON BOTH HOME AND HOST GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE  
NECESSARY MEASURES, INCLUDING LEGISLATION, WITHIN THEIR  
RESPECTIVE JURISDICTIONS TO PUNISH PERPETRATORS OF CORRUPT  
PRACTICES. GOI DEL TO ECOSOC WORKING GROUP HAS CONTINUED  
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TO NOTE THE NEED FOR HOME COUNTRIES TO ACCEPT SOME  
RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROSECUTION OF OFFENDERS. USG HAS NOW  
TAKEN BASIC DECISION TO SUPPORT THIS CONCEPT. WE HOPE  
THIS ACTION WILL BE SEEN BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AS MAJOR  
STEP RESPONSIVE TO LDC THINKING.

2. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE YOU TO USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO

QUERY SENIOR GOI OFFICIALS AS TO IRAN'S CURRENT THINKING ON NEGOTIATION OF AGREEMENT ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS. UP TO NOW GOI HAS INDICATED ITS GENERAL SUPPORT FOR SUCH AGREEMENT AND HAS PARTICIPATED ACTIVELY AND CONSTRUCTIVELY IN WORKING GROUP. HOWEVER, IT HAS NEVER GIVEN ANY CLEAR INDICATION OF ITS VIEW OF ULTIMATE SUBSTANTIVE CONTENT OF AN AGREEMENT. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER GOI HAS DEVELOPED A SUBSTANTIVE POSITION, WHAT IT KNOWS OF SUBSTANTIVE POSITIONS OF OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND WHAT IT BELIEVES REASONABLY CAN BE EXPECTED OF ECOSOC WORKING GROUP IN 1977. FYI. WE HAVE ASKED THESE QUESTIONS OF PARSI IN NEW YORK BUT HE HAS ALWAYS BEEN QUITE GUARDED, OBVIOUSLY CONCERNED NOT TO GET TOO FAR IN FRONT OF OTHER LDC'S. WE HAVE NEVER HAD A FRANK EXPOSITION OF GOI VIEWS AND CANNOT CLEARLY ESTABLISH WHERE THOSE VIEWS CONFORM WITH OR CONFLICT WITH USG OBJECTIVES. END FYI.

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